

ELECTION/RESTRICTION

The examiner has requested restriction to one of the following groups: Group 1 which encompasses claims 1-10 drawn to a method of raising and leveling, classified in class 404, subclass 78 or Group 2 which encompasses claims 11-15 drawn to a method of raising and leveling, classified in class 405, subclass 267. In response to the restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects the claims in Group 1 encompassing claims 1-10, however this choice is made with traverse as the examiner has stated that in the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed because invention 2 does not require the specific composition of the lime sludge. The subcombination has separate utilities such as a method of raising and leveling using a chemically different composition.

As can be seen from the above amendment, method claim 11 has now been amended to specifically include the same chemical composition as method claim 1, namely the use of "a quantity of lime and liquid into a viscous lime sludge such that said lime sludge consists primarily of lime and water". As such, based upon this amendment it is believed that the reason for the examiners election restriction requirement has been traversed as the chemical composition is now the same within the two groups. However, as noted above, the applicant has chosen Group 1, claims 1-10, with traverse.

It is believed that this is a full and proper response to the Election/Restriction requirement as Election/Restriction choices have been made. However, it is further believed that these requirements have been traversed by the amendment and

explanations included herein. As such, examination and allowance of claims 1-15 is kindly requested.

Should any matters remain outstanding that may be handle over the phone, the examiner is encouraged to call.

Respectfully Submitted,

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